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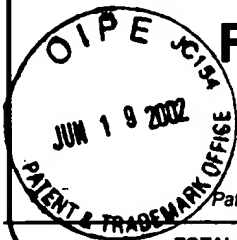
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119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
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121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner German patent no. DE 298 07 037, cited and submitted herewith, which was erroneously cited as German patent no. DE 298 07 097 in the previous Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 15, 2001, for the present application (see reference number 12). The Examiner is requested to make this document of record.

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Applicants would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

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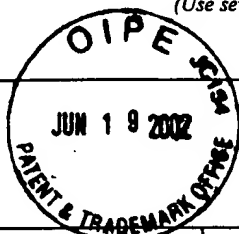
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	1.	10/29/1998	DE 298 07 037	Germany			Derwent Abstract

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